DOT - Improvements Program Support

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

| Dollars in Thousands | Annual FTEs General Fund State | Other Funds | Total Funds |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2009-11 Expenditure Authority | 126.3 | 19,274 | 19,274 |
| Total Maintenance Level | | | |
| Difference | (126.3) | (19,274) | (19,274) |
| Percent Change from Current Biennium | (100.0)% | (100.0)% | (100.0)% |
| Performance Changes | | | |
| Capital Projects | 55.0 | 31,652 | 31,652 |
| Subtotal | 55.0 | 31,652 | 31,652 |
| Total Proposed Budget | 55.0 | 31,652 | 31,652 |
| Difference | (71.3) | 12,378 | 12,378 |
| Percent Change from Current Biennium | (56.5)% | 64.2% | 64.2% |
| Total Proposed Budget by Activity | | | |
| Mobility Improvements | 43.5 | 28,543 | 28,543 |
| Safety Improvements | 5.5 | 1,955 | 1,955 |
| Other Improvements | 3.0 | 825 | 825 |
| Environmental Improvements | 3.0 | 329 | 329 |
| Total Proposed Budget | 55.0 | 31,652 | 31,652 |

PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS

Capital Projects

Funding is provided to support capital projects that increase highway capacity and improve safety. (Motor Vehicle Account-State, Motor Vehicle Account-Federal)

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Mobility Improvements

This activity funds projects that increase highway capacity, with the long term goal of reducing congestion, increasing mobility, and funding urban bike lane connections. Examples include completing the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane system in the Puget Sound Region, improving the level of service on rural highways, and mitigating congestion on urban highways in cooperation with local and regional jurisdictions.

TRANSPORTATION

Safety Improvements

This activity funds projects for collision reduction and prevention. Examples include correcting deficiencies in high accident locationss, corridors, and pedestrian crossings; making impovements at potentially hazardous locations; addressing roadway intersections; and including railroad crossings on multi-lane highways.

Other Improvements

This activity funds the improvement of other highway features for which the department is responsible. Examples include strengthening highways where travel is restricted due to freeze-thaw closures, improving bridges and overpasses that have height or weight restrictions, completing construction of the existing trunk system, constructing truck climbing lanes, and constructing new safety rest areas.

Environmental Improvements

This activity provides funding to correct or reduce the impact of transportation facilities on the environment. Examples include addressing highway storm water runoff, removing fish passage barriers that are caused by the highway, and reducing public exposure to noise by constructing noise abatement walls along highways.